

In re application of Stevens et al.

Serial No. 10/099,690

Filed: March 15, 2002

For: Method & Apparatus for Thoracoscopic Intracardiac Procedures

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Docket No. HRT-0293

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Stevens et al.

Serial No. : 10/099,690 Art Unit : 3738

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Title : Method and Apparatus for Thoracoscopic Intracardiac Procedures

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RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

In connection with the Request for Continued Examination filed on this date, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

An amendment to the Specification is found on page 2.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this document.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this document.